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SUBJECT: PM CARAMANLIS ANTICIPATES ELECTIONS "SOONEST
POSSIBLE"

1. IN PRESS INTERVIEW WITH LE MONDE'S ERIC ROULEAU PM CARAMANLIS INDICATED HIS DETERMINATION TO CREATE A "GENUINE PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRACY IN WHICH ALL GREEKS WITHOUT EXCEPTION WILL HAVE THEIR PLACE." IN EXCHANGE WITH ROULEAU AS REPUBLISHED IN VRADYNI CARAMANLIS ANTICIPATED ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER DANGER OF WAR HAS PASSED. CARAMANLIS ADDED THAT HE WAS GREATLY IMPRESSED WITH SPIRIT OF DISCIPLINE AND MATURITY WHICH GREEKS EXHIBIT GIVEN OPPRESSION OF DICTATORSHIP THEY HAVE SUFFERED. CARAMANLIS REPORTEDLY COMMENTED THAT HIS PLANNING ENVISAGES PARTICIPATION OF ALL POLITICAL FORCES IN FUTURE PARLIAMENT.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY ON MOVEMENT OF TANKS IN ATHENS, CARAMANLIS RESPONDED THAT HE IS IN FULL CONTROL OF SITUATION AND THAT TANKS MOVING THROUGH ATHENS WERE BEING POSITIONED ON BORDER UNDER CARAMANLIS' INSTRUCTIONS. CARAMANLIS TOLD ROULEAU THAT HE PREFERS TO WORK AND TO RESIDE AT GRANDE BRETAGNE HOTEL INSTEAD OF CUSTOMARY OFFICES OF PM WHICH WERE OCCUPIED SO RECENTLY BY PAPADOPOULOS AND ANDROUTSOPOULOS.

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